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Comments: Re: HJR 153

Thank you for providing this opportunity to comment on an issue that has provoked a lot of thought and discussion in my neighborhood. As a resident of Windsor Farms, an area where nearly all utility lines are above-ground, I am in favor of placing utility distribution lines underground. The lack of power after Hurricane Isabel last fall in our neighborhood and many others could have been avoided had the electrical lines been underground. I suggest that research into the experience of utilities in other states could be helpful in determining how to allocate the cost of putting lines underground, among other things. The short-term expense and inconvenience should not deter the legislature from mandating something that should have been done long ago.